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**SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE
HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA ("HIDTA") TASK FORCE**

**NASHUA "ECSTACY" TRAFFICKER SENTENCED ON
FEDERAL DISTRIBUTION CHARGES**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and DEA Resident Agent in Charge Leo Ducey announced that **Troy COLLINGE**, 33, of Nashua, NH was sentenced today on "ecstasy" distribution charges.

On April 12, 2005, COLLINGE entered a guilty plea before U.S. District Court Judge Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr. to an information charging him with possession with intent to distribute hundreds of MDMA pills, also known as "ecstasy," in Nashua in March of 2004.

At today's sentencing, Judge DiClerico imposed a sentence of 16 months imprisonment followed by a 3-year period of supervised release during which COLLINGE's behavior will be monitored by the U.S. Department of Probation. Collinge also forfeited the equity value of his Nashua residence on Lockness Dr., \$50,000.00, in settlement of a civil forfeiture case for his utilizing the residence in furtherance of his drug distribution activities.

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated, "This office is committed to aggressively prosecuting traffickers in cocaine, heroin, and marijuana, and those who profit from the illegal trade in so-called "designer" or "club" drugs such as ecstasy. The Southern New Hampshire HIDTA Task Force conducted a thorough and aggressive investigation in this case."

The conviction resulted from a Southern New Hampshire HIDTA Task Force, located at DEA's New Hampshire headquarters. The prosecution is being handled by First Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante, the Lead Attorney for the District of New Hampshire in the New England Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force ("New England OCDEF").